

This listing of the claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims in the application.

Listing of the Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A washing apparatus comprising:
a body including an first work surface with first perimeter having a ~~geometrie~~ an elliptical shape and surrounded by an upstanding wall structure which confines fluid from flowing off the first work surface, and having a drain opening in the first work surface;
a coupling suitable to link the drain opening to a building waste disposal system; and
a platform that during washing use is both movably ~~removably~~ positioned on the first work surface and unfastened to the body, the platform having a second work surface with an second perimeter having an elliptical shape and being raised upward from the first work surface, wherein fluid flows unimpeded off the second perimeter of the second work surface onto the first work surface.

2. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein the first work surface is concave.

3-6. (Canceled)

7. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein the platform further comprises a plurality of supports which raise the second work surface from the first work surface.

8. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein the platform further comprises a plurality of legs which raise the second work surface from the first work surface.

9. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 1 wherein the second work surface is convex thereby directing water onto the first work surface.

10. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 1 further comprising a spout which emits a stream of water onto the first work surface.

11. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 10 wherein the spout emits a laminar stream of water onto the first work surface.

12. (Previously Presented) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 1 further comprising a bowl for retaining fluid and a bowl being removably positionable on the second work surface, the bowl having a bottom portion with an aperture there through and an exterior lower surface having a sealing means which extends around the aperture to engage the second work surface to inhibit flow of fluid outward from the bowl.

13. (Original) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 12 wherein the sealing means comprises a gasket attached to the exterior lower surface of the bowl.

14. (Currently Amended) A plumbing fixture for washing objects comprising:
a body including a first work surface with a first perimeter having a geometric shape and surrounded by a structure that prevents a fluid from flowing outward from the first work surface and off the plumbing fixture; and having a drain opening to receive the fluid flowing from the first work surface;

a coupling suitable to link the drain opening to a building waste disposal system; and
a platform that during washing use is both movably removably positioned on the first work surface and unfastened to the body, the platform having a second work surface with a second perimeter having an identical geometric shape as the first perimeter work surface ~~and being convex~~ and raised upward from the first work surface, wherein fluid flows unimpeded off the perimeter of the second work surface and into the drain opening of the body.

15. (Previously Presented) The plumbing fixture as recited in claim 14 wherein the first work surface and the second work surface have elliptical first and second perimeters.

16. (Canceled)

17. (Original) The plumbing fixture as recited in claim 15 wherein the platform further comprises a plurality of legs which raise the second work surface from the first work surface.

18-25. (Canceled)

26. (Previously Presented) The plumbing fixture as recited in claim 14 wherein the platform further comprises a plurality of legs which raise the second work surface from the first work surface.

27. (Withdrawn) The plumbing fixture as recited in claim 14 wherein the second work surface has a rectangular perimeter and fluid flows unimpeded off four edges of the rectangular perimeter onto the first work surface.

28. (New) The washing apparatus as recited in claim 14 wherein the second work surface has a crown at a center and slopes downward from the center toward the second perimeter thereby directing water onto the first work surface.